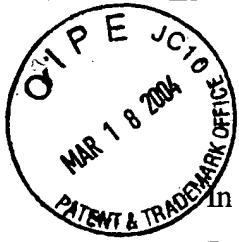


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated **October 6, 2003**, and is submitted on or before the extended due date of **April 6, 2004**. A constructive petition for a five-month extension of time under 1.136(a)(3) and its requisite fee of \$1,005.00 (Check No. 6657) are enclosed herewith.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, including fees under §1.17; or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing Atty. Dkt. No. 03528.0133.PCUS00. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments and consider the application.

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